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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please enter the following amendments:

#### In the Claims:

Please <u>SUBSTITUTE</u> the following amended claims for the pending claims with the same number (a marked up copy of the prior pending claim with all changes shown is supplied in the appendix):

- 3. An adaptor according to claim 1, wherein the input is adapted to couple to the output of a PDA.
- 4. An adaptor according to claim 1, wherein the adaptor further comprises a store for storing data to be transferred between the Bluetooth enabled device and the communications device.
- 7. A system according to claim 5, wherein the output is for coupling to a modem, the connection request signal being a modem connection request signal.
- 8. A system according to claim 5, wherein the processor is adapted to periodically generate the connection request signal in response to a request from the user of the communications device.
- 9. A system according to claim 5, wherein the communications device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a first communications protocol, and wherein the Bluetooth enabled device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a second communications protocol, the adaptor processor being further adapted to translate data between the first and second protocols as required.
- 10. A system according to claim 5, wherein the adaptor is an adaptor.
- 13. A method according to claim 11, wherein the adaptor accepts a Bluetooth connection from the Bluetooth enabled device by:

monitoring for a connection request signal from the Bluetooth enabled device; and,

generating a response indicating that the connection is to be accepted.

14. A method according to claim 11, wherein the communications device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a first communications protocol, and wherein the Blue tooth enabled device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a second communications

protocol, the method further comprising causing the adaptor to translate data between the first and second protocols as required.

### **REMARKS**

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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#### **APPENDIX**

- 3. An adaptor according to claim 1 [or claim 2], wherein the input is adapted to couple to the output of a PDA.
- 4. An adaptor according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the preceding claims], wherein the adaptor further comprises a store for storing data to be transferred between the Bluetooth enabled device and the communications device.
- 7. A system according to claim 5 [or claim 6], wherein the output is for coupling to a modem, the connection request signal being a modem connection request signal.
- 8. A system according to [any of] claim[s] 5 [to 7], wherein the processor is adapted to periodically generate the connection request signal in response to a request from the user of the communications device.
- 9. A system according to [any of] claim[s] 5 [to 8], wherein the communications device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a first communications protocol, and wherein the Bluetooth enabled device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a second communications protocol, the adaptor processor being further adapted to translate data between the first and second protocols as required.
- 10. A system according to [any of] claim[s] 5 [to 9], wherein the adaptor is an adaptor [according to any of claims 1 to 4].
- 13. A method according to claim 11 [or claim 12], wherein the adaptor accepts a Bluetooth connection from the Bluetooth enabled device by:

monitoring for a connection request signal from the Bluetooth enabled device; and,

generating a response indicating that the connection is to be accepted.

14. A method according to [any of] claim[s] 11 [to 13], wherein the communications device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a first communications protocol, and wherein the Blue tooth enabled device is adapted to communicate in accordance with a second communications protocol, the method further comprising causing the adaptor to translate data between the first and second protocols as required.